

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Title: Advisory Committee on Capitol Area Security

Date: 04/25/2025

Time: 9:02am - 9:30am

Location: Minnesota State Office Building

Chairperson: Lt. Governor Peggy Flanagan

Committee Members:

- Lt. Governor Peggy Flanagan (attended in person)
- Chief Justice Natalie Hudson (represented by designee Jennifer Super, Emergency Manager, MN Judicial Branch, attended in person)
- Representative Kelly Moller (attended in person)
- Representative Jim Nash (attended in person)
- Senator Warren Limmer (attended in person)
- Senator Bonnie Westlin (attended in person)

Advisors Present:

- David Kelliher, Vice President of Public Policy and Government Relations, Minnesota Historical Society
- Erik Cedarleaf Dahl, Executive Secretary, Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board
- Tamar Gronvall, Commissioner, Department of Administration
- Kari Suchy, Director, Facilities Management Division, Department of Administration
- Eric Roeske, Captain, Minnesota State Patrol, Department of Public Safety
- Christina Bogojevic, Colonel, Minnesota State Patrol, Department of Public Safety
- Sven Lindquist, Chief Sergeant-at-Arms, Minnesota Senate
- Lori Hodapp, Chief Sergeant-at-Arms, Minnesota House of Representatives

Call to Order

Chair Flanagan called the meeting to order at approximately 9:02 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Flanagan brought forward the minutes from the September 23, 2024, meeting and invited any discussion or edits. No changes were proposed. Senator Westlin moved to approve the minutes, and Representative Moller seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Review and Approval of the Advisory Committee on Capitol Area Security Annual Report - January 15, 2025

Captain Roeske and Director Suchy provided an overview of the Annual Report, summarizing recent security initiatives, ongoing projects, and recommendations for future improvements. Committee members discussed elements of the report, including funding and project scope. Representative Moller moved to approve the report, seconded by Senator Westlin. The motion passed with four members voting in favor and two opposed.

Department of Public Safety Staffing Update

Colonel Bogojevic and Captain Roeske provided an update on staffing for Capitol Security, including recent hires and anticipated additions to both State Trooper and Security Officer positions. Chair Flanagan called for questions; none were raised.

House and Senate Sergeants at Arms Update

Chief Sergeant-at-Arms Hodapp and Chief Sergeant-at-Arms Lindquist provided updates on recent training initiatives, security procedures, and upcoming planning efforts for their respective operations. Chair Flanagan called for questions; none were raised.

Public Comment

No public comments were presented.

Member Questions

No questions were brought forward by committee members.

Adjournment

The open session was adjourned at approximately 9:30 a.m. to move to the closed session agenda item. Chair Flanagan stated the session would be closed under Minnesota Statute 13D.05 Subd. 3(d) to discuss physical security measures on the Capitol Complex. All individuals who were not committee members, advisors, or support staff were asked to exit.